## MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU)

## Between

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) and the National Federation of Federal Employee (NFFE)

## concerning

## PARENTAL LEAVE

- The provisions of this MOU are in addition to all entitlements and responsibilities contained in the parties' VA/NFFE 2011 Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) such as Federal Medical Leave Act (FMLA) and Federal Employees Parental Leave Act (FEPLA).
- 2. The VA shall grant an additional 160 hours of unpaid leave related to the birth of a child, adoption, or foster care. This additional unpaid leave can be used in conjunction with FMLA and FEPLA.
- Employees may substitute annual leave, sick leave, compensatory time off, or credit hours, consistent with governing laws and regulations during those 160 hours.
- 4. The terms of this agreement will remain in effect for a minimum of three years after which either party may reopen it by providing a minimum of 30 days advance notice.
- 5. The Agency will distribute this MOU to management officials and the NFFE CP will distribute it to NFFE Officers.

For NFFE

Jeffrey Shapiro

Date

For the VA

Sylma Vargas

Date